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Letter dated 11 December 2000 from the Secretary-General to the President of the Security Council

I have the honour to submit to you, and through you to the members of the Security Council, the text of an exchange of letters between the United Nations Secretariat and the Permanent Mission of Iraq to the United Nations extending, in the light of Council resolution 1330 (2000) of 5 December 2000, the Memorandum of Understanding of 20 May 1996 concerning the implementation of Council resolution 986 (1995) for a period of 180 days, effective 6 December 2000.

(*Signed*) Kofi A. **Annan**

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Letter dated 6 December 2000 from the Legal Counsel to the Permanent Representative of Iraq to the United Nations

I have the honour to refer to resolution 1330 (2000), adopted by the Security Council on 5 December 2000, by which the Council decided that the relevant provisions of resolution 986 (1995) would remain in force for a new period of 180 days beginning at 00.01 hours, Eastern Standard Time, on 6 December 2000. I should also like to refer to an exchange of letters between the United Nations Secretariat and the Permanent Mission of Iraq to the United Nations dated 21 June 2000 (S/2000/618) extending, in the light of Council resolution 1302 (2000) of 8 June 2000, the Memorandum of Understanding of 20 May 1996 between the United Nations Secretariat and the Government of Iraq on the implementation of Council resolution 986 (1995) for a period of 180 days, effective 9 June 2000.

In view of the foregoing, I have the honour to propose that the provisions of the Memorandum of Understanding of 20 May 1996 be extended for an additional period of 180 days, effective 6 December 2000.

It is understood that the distribution plans that have already been approved but have not yet been implemented shall continue to apply for goods purchased with oil revenues generated under the respective Security Council resolutions.

If your Government agrees to this proposal, I suggest that the present letter, and your reply thereto, shall constitute an agreement between the United Nations Secretariat and the Government of Iraq. This, however, does not apply to the second sentence of your reply, which is a unilateral statement by the Government.

(*Signed*) Hans **Corell**
Under-Secretary-General for Legal Affairs
The Legal Counsel

Letter dated 6 December 2000 from the Permanent Representative of Iraq to the United Nations addressed to the Legal Counsel

I have the honour to inform you that the Government of the Republic of Iraq agrees to the proposal contained in your letter of 6 December 2000, for the extension of the provisions of the Memorandum of Understanding of 20 May 1996 for an additional period of 180 days effective 6 December 2000. The Government of the Republic of Iraq confirms its position that it is not concerned with or committed to any arrangements or actions not provided for in the Memorandum of Understanding or not agreed upon with the Government of Iraq.

(*Signed*) Saeed **Hasan**
Ambassador
Permanent Representative of Iraq to the United Nations